

The Humble

PETITION

Of the

LORDS and COMMONS

In PARLIAMENT assembled,

To the KINGS most Excellent

MAJESTY;

For a Pacification betweene His Maieſty
and both Houſes.

Die Veneris, Julii 15. 1642.

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament, That this
Petition be forthwith printed and Published,
Jo. Browne Cler. Parliament.



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For the Relief of the



That the said Lords and Commons doth hereby petition the King's Majesty that he will be graciously pleased to give leave to the said Petitioners to present their petition to his Majesty's most Excellent Majesty King George the Third.



Printed by J. Smith, in the Strand, 1763.



To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Petition of the Lords and
Commons in Parliament
Assembled.

May it please Your Majesty,



Although we your Majesties most humble and faithfull Subjects, the Lords and Commons in Parliament Assembled, have beene very unhappy in many former Petitions and supplications to your Majesty, wherein we have represented our most dutifull Affections, in advising and desiring those things which we held most necessary for the preservation of Gods true Religion, your Majesties safety and Honour, and the peace of the Kingdome; and with much sorrow doe perceive, that your Majesty, incensed by many false Calumnies, and Slaunders, doth continue to raise Forces against

gainst us, and your other peaceable and loyall Subjects, & to make great preparations for war, both in the Kingdome, and from beyond the Seas; and by Armes and violence to over-rule the judgement and advice of your great Councell, and by force to determine the Questions there depending, concerning the Government of the Kingdome; yet such is our earnest desire of discharging our duty to your Majesty and the Kingdome, to preserve the peace thereof, and to prevent the Miseries of Civill War amongst your Subjects; that notwithstanding we hold our selves bound to use all the meanes and power, which by the Lawes and Constitutions of this Kingdome we are trusted with, for defence and protection thereof, and of the Subjects from force and violence; we doe in this our humble and loyall Petition prostrate our selves at your Majesties feet, beseeching your Majesty, that you will be pleased to forbear, and remove all Preparations and Actions of war, particularly the Forces from about *Hull*, from *Newcastle*, *Tynmouth*, & *Lincolnshire*; and all other places; and that your Majesty will recall the Commissions of Array, which are illegall; dismisse Troopes, and extraordinary Guards, by you raised; that your Majesty will come neerer to your Parliament, and hearken to their faithfull advice & humble Petitions, which shall only tend to the defence & advancement of Religion,

on, your owne Royall Honour and safety; the preservation of our Lawes and Liberties; And we have beene, and shall ever be carefull to prevent and punish all Tumults, and seditious Actions, Speeches, and Writings, which may give your Majesty just cause of distaste or apprehension of danger. That your Majesty will leave Delinquents to the due course of Justice; And that nothing done or spoken in Parliament or by any person in pursuance of the Commands and Directions of both Houses of Parliament, be questioned any where but in Parliament.

And we, for our parts, shall be ready to lay downe all those preparations which we have beene forced to make for our defence.

And for the Towne of *Hull*; and the Ordinance concerning the Militia, as we have in both these particulars, onely sought the preservation of the peace of the Kingdome, and the Defence of the Parliament, from force and violence; So we shall most willingly leave the Towne of *Hull* in the state it was, before Sir *John Hotham* drew any Forces into it, delivering your Majesties Magazine into your Tower of *London*; and suppressing whatsoever hath beene disposed by us, for the service of the King to us. We shall be ready to settle the Militia by a Bill, in such a way, as shall be Honourable and safe for your Majesty, most agreeable to the duty of Parliament, & effectuell for the good of the Kingdome;

That the strength thereof be not imployed against it selfe; and that which ought to be for our security, applyed to our destruction: And that the Parliament, and those who profess and desire still to preserve the Protestant Religion, both in this Realme and in *Ireland*, may not be left naked, and indefensible, to the mischevous designes, and cruell attempers of those, who are the profess and confederated enemies thereof in your Majesties Dominions, and other Neighbour Nations. To which if Your Majesties courtes and Counsels shal from hence forth concur, We doubt not but we shall quickly make it appeare to the World, by the most eminent effects of Love and Duty, That Your Majesties personall safety, Your Royall Honour and greatnesse are much dearer to us then our owne lives and fortunes, which wee doe most heartily Dedicate, and shall most willingly imploy for the support and maintenance thereof.

FINIS.



